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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

In re:

PG&E CORPORATION,

- and -

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC
COMPANY,

Debtors.

- ☐ Affects PG&E Corporation
☐ Affects Pacific Gas and Electric
Company
☒ Affects both Debtors

** All papers shall be filed in the Lead
Case, No. 19-30088 (DM).*

Bankruptcy Case
No. 19-30088 (DM)

Chapter 11

(Lead Case)

(Jointly Administered)

**ORDER PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 327(e), FED.
R. BANKR. P. 2014(a) AND 2016, AND THE
ORDER AUTHORIZING THE DEBTORS TO
EMPLOY PROFESSIONALS USED IN THE
ORDINARY COURSE OF BUSINESS FOR
AUTHORITY TO RETAIN AND EMPLOY
LATHAM & WATKINS LLP AS SPECIAL
COUNSEL FOR THE DEBTORS EFFECTIVE AS
OF THE PETITION DATE**

1 Upon the Application, dated February 5, 2020 (the “**Application**”),¹ of PG&E Corporation
2 (“**PG&E Corp.**”) and Pacific Gas and Electric Company (the “**Utility**”), as debtors and debtors in
3 possession (collectively, “**PG&E**” or the “**Debtors**”) in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases
4 (the “**Chapter 11 Cases**”), pursuant to section 327(e) of title 11 of the United States Code
5 (the “**Bankruptcy Code**”) and Rules 2014(a) and 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure
6 (the “**Bankruptcy Rules**”), for authority to retain and employ Latham & Watkins LLP (“**Latham**” or
7 the “**Firm**”) as special counsel for certain matters for the Debtors effective as of the Petition Date, all as
8 more fully set forth in the Application; and this Court having jurisdiction to consider the Application
9 and the relief requested therein pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334, and the Order Referring
10 Bankruptcy Cases and Proceedings to Bankruptcy Judges, General Order 24 and Rule 5011-1(a) of the
11 Bankruptcy Local Rules for the United States District Court for the Northern District of California
12 (the “**Bankruptcy Local Rules**”); and consideration of the Application and the requested relief being a
13 core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and venue being proper before this Court pursuant to
14 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and due and proper notice of the Application having been provided to the
15 parties listed therein, and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and this Court
16 having reviewed the Application, the Perrin Declaration, the Prior Perrin Declaration, and the Loduca
17 Declaration; and the Court having reviewed the Firm’s conflict review process and disclosures and
18 finding them adequate and appropriate under the circumstances; and upon the record of all of the
19 proceedings had before the Court; and this Court having found and determined that the relief sought in
20 the Application is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, creditors, shareholders, and all parties
21 in interest; and that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Application establish just cause for the
22 relief granted herein; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

23 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 24 1. This Application is granted as provided herein.
- 25 2. The Debtors are authorized, pursuant to section 327(e) of the Bankruptcy Code and
26 Bankruptcy Rules 2014(a) and 2016, to retain and employ Latham as special counsel under the terms

27 ¹ Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in
28 the Application.

1 and conditions set forth in the Application and the Perrin Declaration, which are appropriate under the
2 circumstances of these chapter 11 cases, effective *nunc pro tunc* to the Petition Date.

3 3. The Debtors are authorized to continue to employ Latham in connection with the Specific
4 Matters as set forth in the Application and the Perrin Declaration, which are appropriate under the
5 circumstances of these chapter 11 cases, and to engage Latham as special counsel in connection therewith
6 under section 327(e) of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rules 2014(a) and 2016.

7 4. Prior to the filing of this Application, Latham was compensated pursuant to the OCP
8 Order. As set forth in the Perrin Declaration, Latham has been fully compensated pursuant to the terms
9 of the OCP Order for all fees and expenses incurred through September 30, 2019, and has been
10 compensated for all time incurred through October 31, 2019, with the exception of one October 2019
11 invoice in the amount of \$237,087.30 (the “**Unpaid October 2019 Invoice**”), the payment of which
12 would have caused Latham to exceed the cap imposed by the OCP Order. In connection with the Unpaid
13 October 2019 Invoice, and for all additional expenses incurred after November 1, 2019, Latham shall be
14 compensated in accordance with, and will file, interim and final fee applications for allowance of its
15 compensation and expenses and shall be subject to sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code, the
16 Bankruptcy Rules, the Bankruptcy Local Rules, the Fee Guidelines, the Interim Compensation
17 Procedures Order, and any further order of the Court.

18 5. Latham shall be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses as provided by the
19 Fee Guidelines.

20 6. Fees paid, and expenses reimbursed prior to entry of this Order under the OCP Order
21 shall not be subject to this Order.

22 7. Latham shall use reasonable efforts to avoid any duplication of services provided by any
23 of the Debtors’ other retained professionals in these Chapter 11 Cases.

24 8. Notice of the Application as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient notice
25 of the Application.

26 9. As set forth in the Perrin Declaration, Latham’s 2020 rates are subject to customary rate
27 adjustment to be negotiated and agreed to by the Debtors and Latham in a manner consistent with past
28 practice; fees attributable to the period after December 31, 2019 will be charged at Latham’s 2020 hourly

1 rates. Latham shall provide notice to the U.S. Trustee after Latham's 2020 rates are agreed by Latham
2 and the Debtors.

3 10. To the extent the Application is inconsistent with this Order, the terms of this Order shall
4 govern.

5 11. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or
6 related to the implementation, interpretation, or enforcement of this Order.

7 **END OF ORDER**
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